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Applicant: Alferness et al. Examiner: B. Szmal
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 11, 2002, said period of response being extended from December 11, 2002 to March 11, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$465 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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